

Grapevine

A decorative vine with green leaves and clusters of red, white, and purple grapes runs vertically along the left side of the page.

**Another gift from
The Friends of the Veterans Home**

Photo by Glen Nock

Living at the Veterans Home of California in Yountville – September 28, 2007

From the Administrator's Desk...

The GRAPEVINE

Marcella M. McCormack, Administrator Jody Price, Public Information Officer Reporters/Columnists: Neil Remnant, Chris Williams, Lou Zauner

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The Long Wait is Over

We've walked by the vacant windows of the Memory Care Center for a long time and encountered the usual number of delays to its opening. That day is final here and the move of patients from Wards IA and IC is imminent. Incidentally, the new areas in the Center will no longer be "wards," but will be named with themes which residents will choose. In a further emphasis of the home-like atmosphere, the first residents to move in will be Tyson and Holly. Haven't met them? They are the therapy cats who now reside in IC, and they will settle in and be ready to welcome their friends.



Georgia Anderson (*at left*) of Standards and Compliance emphasizes that "every department has contributed to the accomplishment of this goal." Dr. Denise Rettenmaier, Echo Connell, Chrisine Pinaglia, and Sherry Williams, SRNs, have provided the leadership that makes this all possible. The present staff will move with the patients to provide a feeling of continuity. Twenty residents from each of the wards in Holderman will move, and many have already been to the Center to choose their rooms. Members of their families joined them during an open house and all were thrilled with the freshness, soothing colors and comfortable design of the facility.

We are all looking forward to the new opportunities and programs that will be possible in this remarkable facility. The airy roominess, the access to natural surroundings, and the cheerful new furnishings and decoration will give us all



Marcella M. McCormack
Administrator



new inspiration. Volunteer services and the recreational therapists have devised new activities to enhance the lives of patients. We are, once again, "ahead of the curve" with the opening of this remarkable addition to our Veterans Home.

POW/MIA Recognition Day

By Chris Williams

All across America, the third Friday in September is set aside to honor the commitment and sacrifices made by the nation's Prisoners of War and those still listed as Missing in Action. On this day, the POW/MIA flag will fly alongside "Old Glory" over the White House, the only flag allowed to do so. A gathering at the bandstand of the Veterans home paid special tribute to these service personnel and the sacrifices made by their families. "Not knowing" may be the greatest burden to bear, and special thought is given to the families of the missing on this day. A plaque bore the name of five soldiers from this area who are listed as Missing in Action.



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Proclamations from the President and Governor were read to open the ceremony, then the history and meaning of

the day was recounted. This absorbing story was told by Yountville's mayor, Cindy Saucerman, Napa's vice-mayor Jim Kridor, County Supervisor, Mark Luce, and David Salopek, Chairman of the Veterans Home Allied Council. The nation's commitment to full accounting is evidenced by the display of the POW/MIA banner in the U.S. Capitol Rotunda, the only flag to be seen there. It is to be flown over government installations nationwide on the six days each year marking patriotic observances.

The central focus of the Veterans Home ceremony was the Missing Man table

(photo at left) prepared by Tom and Candace Fiske. Tom, of Vietnam Veterans Post 702, explained the symbolism of this moving display. His award-winning artwork, and even his vehicle carrying the MIA/POW emblem, communicate his determination to keep this commitment before us.



Administrator/Members Meeting

Tuesday, October 16 at 10:00 am
in Grant Hall

September 28, 2007



By Chris Williams; photos by Glen Nock, Chris Williams



The Main Picnic Ground sports new coats of paint. The Pioneers painted as a tribute to Tillie Crossman, Chief of PFE.

They've been coming to the Veterans Home for 23 years, and they're not even tired yet. More than one hundred AT&T Pioneers swept into the Veterans Home for their West Coast Sports Jamboree, bringing spirit and enthusiasm. Good thing they didn't all come. Nationwide they are the largest company sponsored group in the nation with 385,000 employee and retiree members. Last year, they donated more than 14 million hours, and we got our share.

Our volunteers started early, a squad of 25 arriving two days before the start of the Jamboree. The next time you're at the picnic grounds, look around. They painted the buildings, inside and out. Then, they painted the fences and anything that wasn't actually moving. "We did it for Tillie," several explained. "She's always so good to us," they said, giving Tillie Crossman a hug.



Veterans Home members and other participants from Napa valley arrived early, and after fortifying themselves with coffee and rolls, joined an impromptu parade up the hill. They were then divided into teams with colored vests and assigned their coaches/cheerleaders, and the fun began. They enjoyed archery, 40-yard dash, Frisbee and ring toss, horseshoes and basketball, but saved their best for the slalom race. Both Pioneers and veterans home staff pushed wheelchairs through the course and those in motorized chairs added extra twirls to the routine.

Lunch appeared as if by magic and was another testimony to the organization the Pioneers had put into the event. Every activity was planned in detail and the volunteers appeared whenever they were needed. They were tireless, and how far had they come? From Fresno, Sacramento, Modesto and all northern California. The Golden Bear Chapter of the AT&T Pioneers did themselves proud.

The Golden Bear Chapter of the AT&T Pioneers



Brandy checks in for cheer leading duty.



The Red Team

right: Win Lamb celebrates his victory.



The Yellow Team

Run, Megan, run! Megan Edmontson powers Florine Wilson through cones of the Slalom Course.



Horseshoes



above: Claude Baragam and AT&T Pioneer Nikki Criegee.



left: Alex Ruiz successfully "dunks" that basketball!



Archery

September 28, 2007

"Freedom Tour" of Napa River

By Neil Remnant

On Tuesday afternoon, September 11, several members of the Yountville Veterans Home embarked on a free trip down the Napa River aboard a 52-foot, \$1.5 million yacht named "FREEDOM". We were part of a series of two-hour voyages over three days that week.

Napa Valley Yacht Club

Our hosts were Captain Lew King and Captain Jared Berg of the Monterey Bay Veterans Inc. project. The group provides a program of recreational opportunities to veterans –giving back to the men and women who have served for our freedoms.

On Tuesday, there were two trips reserved for hospital members who were assisted by hospital staff, including interns. It was a beautiful two-hour excursion on a pleasantly warm, sunny afternoon. The waters were smooth as we cruised down the river and returned to the Napa Yacht Club. This was the first opportunity for most of us to enjoy the nearby Napa River waterways with beautiful views of the area in our own backyard ... so to speak.

Thanks to the Napa Yacht Club for their hospitality and refreshments. Many thanks to Captains Berg and King; John Whitacre, Executive Director, Monterey Bay Veterans

Inc. and the Veterans Home hospital staff for great excursions on the Napa River.



By Lou Zauner

Merchant Marines host 14th Annual Picnic

Hospital Residents, Home Members, Staff, host volunteers, community volunteers and Chico Community Action Volunteers Education (C.A.V.E.) students gathered in the Hospital Recreation Area Sunday, September 22 at 11 am for a gourmet picnic hosted by the Golden Gate Chapter of American Merchant Marine Veterans. Chapter Members came from San Francisco, Fresno and Sacramento with family members to help serve the huge crowd.

An incredible menu from A to Z – Ambrosia Salad to zucchini – was available. The salads included Ambrosia, fruit, crab, macaroni, potato, bean, and lettuce and tomato. There were at least three different pasta dishes with fancy names, plus chili and grated cheese, barbecued chicken, and hot dogs with all trimmings. The dessert was an endless array of cookies, cakes, packaged goodies and more. The beverages were in abundance too – water, a vast array of sodas, beer and coffee. And, regardless of the unusually large attendance, seconds were available for most everything.

The Merchant Marine Seaman were employed by private shipping companies but under US Government control during World War II. Unlike military personnel, seaman's pay was immediately terminated if he became disabled and could not perform his duty, even if the cause was an act of war. Merchant Marines Mariners received no military veterans benefits until 1989. That year some benefits were extended to Merchant Marine veterans, including admittance to the Veterans Home. Home Administrator Marcella McCormack confirmed the Veterans Home, Yountville now has several such Veterans among us.

Estimates of World War II Merchant Marine ship losses exceed 1,500 with loss of over 8000 Merchant Marine Seaman casualties. The Merchant Marine death casualty ratio was 1 to 29 of serving personnel. Except for 3-inch and 5-inch guns and eight 20mm cannons, Merchant Marine ships had virtually no defense particularly against the German U-boats.

Thank you, Golden Gate Chapter of American Merchant Marine Veterans and all the exceptionally hard working volunteers, for a successful picnic and incomparable fare.



below: John Hepp, volunteer Eleanor Entenman, Administrator Marcella McCormack, Orville Johnson



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The Ride to Defeat ALS



Lou Gehrig, the "Iron Horse" of baseball, who was forced to the bench by amyotrophic lateral sclerosis after playing 2,130 consecutive games, is touched by fans demonstration as he is acclaimed in a manner unrivaled in baseball history. Upwards of 75,000 jammed Yankee Stadium to honor Lou. He is shown here--handkerchief to his face, deeply moved by the ovation they gave him. (The original caption dated July 4, 1939.)

On Sunday, September 30 more than 800 bicyclists from across California will begin their annual ride to Defeat ALS at 8:00 am at the Veterans Home. This ride benefits the ALS Association Greater Bay Area Chapter who supports critical programs and services for ALS patients and families. ALS, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, is a motor neuron disease that was first brought to national and international attention when in 1939 the famous baseball player Lou Gehrig retired from baseball after being diagnosed with ALS.

ALS most commonly strikes people between 40 and 70 and, at any given time, as many as 30,000 Americans are affected by ALS. Other well-known people whose lives have been cut short by the disease are Hall of Fame pitcher Jim "Catfish" Hunter, Senator Jacob Javits, actors Michael Zaslow and David Niven, creator of Sesame Street Jon Stone, boxing champion Ezzard Charles, NBA Hall of Fame basketball player George Yardley, pro football player Glenn Montgomery, golfer Jeff Julian, golf caddie Bruce Edwards, musician Lead Belly (Huddie Ledbetter), photographer Eddie Adams, entertainer Dennis Day, jazz musician Charles Mingus, composer Dimitri Shostakovich, former vice president of the United States Henry A. Wallace and U.S. Army General Maxwell Taylor.

A thought for today...

An elderly Cherokee Native American was teaching his grandchildren about life...

He said to them, "A fight is going on inside me, it is a terrible fight and it is between two wolves. One wolf is evil--- he is fear, anger, envy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, competition, superiority, and ego.

The other is good---he is joy, peace, love, hope, sharing, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, friendship, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith.

This same fight is going on inside you, and inside every other person, too."

They thought about it for a minute and then one child asked his grandfather, "Which wolf will win?"

The old Cherokee simply replied, "The one you feed."



A new "Bear Flag Bus" has arrived.

24th Kiwanis Harvest Festival Food, Wine and Art

*By Nancy Bueno;
photos by Jim Ellsworth, Glen Nock*

For the first time the Kiwanis of Napa chose the Veterans Home as their venue for their 24th annual fundraiser called the Harvest Festival and this new mid-valley location drew celebrants from all over the Napa Valley. The September 15th celebration featured all-you-can-eat-and-drink barbeque, food from



17 of the Valley's finest purveyors, wonderful beer, and wine from our finest vineyards. As an added attraction there were arts and crafts from 32 artists, raffles and a silent auction featuring hundreds of selections ... and the door prize? ... a beautiful door!

This year's theme was "Kiwanis Goes to the Islands." Everyone was given shiny beads to wear and the lawn next to Lincoln Theater was decorated "island style" with palm trees, tropical flowers, birds and balloons. The vendors circled the lawn with the center reserved with tables for dining. All this was highlighted by Pan Extasy who, under the direction of Ashton Craig, provided Caribbean, Soca, Reggae and Calypso music. The small amount of open grass was covered with dancers. You just couldn't sit still when that music was playing.

Tickets to the event were \$50 each, and well worth the price I paid, but the Kiwanis generously donated 25 tickets to be distributed to Home Members. What a wonderful celebration. Thank you, Kiwanis, and I hope you will come back next year.



The New Lavender Villa Mural

By Lou Zauner; photos by Glen Nock, Lou Zauner

Driving past Section E, between Lincoln Theater and the Yountville Community Pool, a new addition has been added--a stunning picturesque mural painted on the side of the concrete utility block facing the road.



Commissioned by Friends of the Veterans Home, Jolen Howell of Pacific Grove, California started the mural during her first visit. Two weeks later she made the second visit to complete the project.

Jolene Howell has been an artist for nearly twenty years and has specialized in murals for the last twelve years. She has painted murals in nearly all of the domiciles at the Veterans Home--all sponsored by Friends of the Veterans Home.

We are most appreciative of the new colorful art which makes a scenic stretch of drive around the Home even more impressive.

You are invited to learn Steps to a healthier you!



*Lecture Series Based on the
"MyPyramid Food Guidance System"*

Please join us every first Tuesday of the month in Section A, Room 110 from 10:00-11:00 am. The next class: October 2: "Foods to Encourage: Milk, Yogurt, Cheese"

The class is taught by Lynne Fredricksen, Registered Dietitian

Take Naps and Stretch Before Rising

Being new to this writing game, I went to experts for advice.

(I don't usually do that; cats are born knowing almost everything.)

Duane Wooters told me, "Write about what you know." Well, if there's anything on which I can speak with authority, it's relaxation and stretching. Thought I'd better check what applies to you humans, though. You lack so many advantages that felines enjoy.



I dropped in on John Overn (*photo at left*), the Physical Therapy Supervisor, and he agreed that jumping out of bed with tight muscles and a frantic mind is not a good way to start your day. Taking a few minutes to get your mind and your muscles in order will afford you a relaxed and confident start to your day.

"Stretching should be part of every arthritis patient's daily routine," says Barbara Resnick of the University of Maryland School of Nursing. "It accomplishes two things.

First, it helps prevent injuries by warming up muscles and tendons; warm muscles are less likely to tear. Second it is a perfect antidote to stiffness." She advises to avoid it during rheumatoid arthritis flare-ups, though. It could further inflame the joint.

Prepare yourself when you first wake up and are still relaxed. Gently extend each arm and leg, holding it for a few seconds. Then test all your joints to see if they're where you left them. Rotate hands and feet through their full range of motion then relax them again. Practice "standing tall" even though you're lying down. Gently stretch your back while visualizing the loosening of your vertebrae. Follow that with "reaching for the sky," extending both arms over your head, holding the stretch and lowering your arms.

This is enough to get you started. Make it a part of your wake-up routine, and we'll go farther next time. There are good stretches to do while sitting on the side of your bed and when you first stand up. You notice that your stretches lead you gradually into your first yoga positions at which we cats excel. I'm particularly spectacular at the "downward-facing dog" pose. All dogs should be downward-facing.

Looking Out for #1



By Danny the Therapy Cat

See, it's easy to "stand tall" while still in bed. And it doesn't matter whether you are on your side, your stomach or your back!

OK ... stretch left leg and touch right, stretch right arm and touch left ... don't try this at home, it's for advanced students.





I Think That I Shall Never See ... A Stump as Lovely as a Tree

By Chris Williams

Hank Miller, Supervising Groundskeeper, gets yelled at a lot. While he was standing over the fallen trunk of a tree in front of the Administration Building, four cars drove past. Three of their drivers leaned out and roared, “Whatja do that for?!”

We love our trees at the Vets Home ... even when they threaten to kill us. This particular one had been a victim of an invader which had grown up inside the hollow trunk, and weakened it dangerously. Its roots had displaced the sidewalk near which it stood, so it had to go. Whenever you see a tree removed, safety of residents was undoubtedly the cause. We recently lost a tree between the theater and Section “E” – the cause there: root rot and a dieback of the canopy. Sometimes, it’s just heavy limbs that threaten to give way. Last fall oaks had a heavy acorn crop which stressed some limbs which had to be removed before they fell.



Hank Miller is holding the top of the invading tree that grew up through the middle of the larger, hollow tree.



Sexism is not dead. Near the stump of our fallen friend, three saplings stood in their containers ready to be planted. “Male Chinese Pistache,” Hank pointed out. “They will add great fall color.” A female resident had stopped to listen. “Wish we had a male outside Section H,” she said. “That female ginkgo leaves a mess.” None of this is politically correct. However, another resident of H commented “I wanna know how Hank trained that Ginko! Not as many smelly balls on the sidewalk this year.”

As with all departments, Grounds must cope with shortages. Our beautiful surroundings are maintained by a staff of five who run to keep up. Hank sometimes resorts to a little “horse trading.” Some trees have been supplied by a nursery who wants to see if they thrive in this area. Hope they do. They’ll add to that wealth of trees that some call “the glory of the Veterans Home.”



Chinese Pistache in summer



Chinese Pistache in fall colors

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SATURDAY & SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6TH & 7TH

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Traditional California Pomo Dancers

Azteca Dancers - Danza Xitalli

Drums:

Northern Drum - Swift Cloud

Southern Drum - Red Buffalo

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Headwoman - Natalie Leilani Suan, Tlingit

Master of Ceremonies - Joe Smith, Lakota

Arena Directors - Dennis Carr, Piegan Blackfoot

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Head Teen Girl - Angelina Swimmer, Lakota

Head Boy - Running Bear Carr, Piegan Blackfoot

Head Girl - TBA



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September 14, 2007

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Twenty percent of sales generated will go to the group.

The fundraiser is for the whole day, but this flyer must be presented in order for the group to receive the donation.

Make copies and pass them around. People are always looking for a good excuse to have homemade pizza & pasta!

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Sorry, no coupons, discounts or gift cards will be accepted for payment with this fundraiser. This flyer can't be distributed at the restaurants entrance or its vicinity.

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NAPA VALLEY SYMPHONY

Sat, Oct 6
8:00 pm

Sun, Oct 7
3:00 pm

Chloë Hanslip, Violin – Classical Concert I. At the age of 19, Chloë is already an established international artist of distinction. Her recent recording for Naxos of the John Adams Violin Concerto with the RPO under Leonard Slatkin entered the UK Classical Charts at number 2, and Philip Clark, writing in Gramophone, concluded that “Playing like this should secure Chloë Hanslip’s reputations for life.” Her two earlier CDs with the London Symphony Orchestra for Warner Classics, won her, respectively, the German “Echo Klassik Award for Best Newcomer” in 2002, and “Young British Classical Performer” at the Classical BRITS 2003.



News from the Relay For Life Team

Cathy Vincent, Team Captain

We are continuing with our year-round efforts to promote awareness of the American Cancer Society and Relay For Life. Cancer hasn’t stopped so we should continue our efforts to help find a cure. It is sad when we hear about a fellow co-worker, family member, home member or friend that passes away from cancer. And still others we know are diagnosed every day.

We have scheduled the following upcoming events:

♥ October 1st – Mary’s Pizza Shack Dine and Donate (20% of sales go towards ACS/Relay For Life Team) **Take the flyer on the previous page to ensure donation to the Relay For Life team.**

♥ November 6th – Ellora Silver Jewelry Sale (15% of proceeds to Relay For Life)

♥ December 4th – Bake Sale/Cookbook Sale

And there will be more to come...

Constructions begins on Roof

Starting Monday September 24, 2007 the contractor will begin working on the Creative Arts Center roof. During this project there will be ‘No Parking’ around the building until further notice to allow the contractor to have access to all areas of the building.

The building will remain open during this project and we apologize for any interruptions or delays that this work may cause members and staff.

William E. Hargis, Chief Plant Operations III

Yountville Days

Parade & Festival

Sunday, October 7th, 11am-5pm

This event is great for the whole family to enjoy and includes a parade which begins at the California Veterans Home and runs the length of this picturesque town, as well as a festival that takes place until dusk in Yountville Town Park and includes great food, drinks, and live entertainment.



LINCOLN THEATER



Sat,
Sep 29

Paula Poundstone Returns to Lincoln Theater

"She's never been funnier." – The Boston Globe

8:00
pm

A bar stool, a microphone & a can of Diet Pepsi is all Paula Poundstone needs to make an audience laugh until it hurts. Just back from tour promoting her new book *There's Nothing in This Book That I Meant to Say*, Paula Poundstone returns to Napa with new material and her legendary ability to create on-the-spot, improvisational humor that will bring down the house.



Fri,
Oct 5

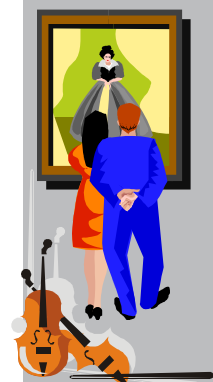
Ballet Gran Folklórico de México

"Beautifully costumed... had the audience clapping and humming along"

– The New York Times

7:00
pm

Mexico City's Ballet Gran Folklórico de México takes audiences on a dazzling tour! This troupe of 35 highly-artistic singers, dancers & musicians presents a colorful & rhythmic show swirling with authentic costumes and backed by Mariachi, Marimba & Jarocho bands. A festive panorama of dance & song.



Sat,
Oct 13

Rimsky-Korsakov String Quartet

Rimsky-Korsakov String Quartet was formed in 1939 and has always drawn highly successful players from various St. Petersburg, Russia orchestras. The best traditions of the Rimsky-Korsakov String Quartet have been carried on by its current group of Artists; Mikhail Bondarev, Ekaterina Belisova, Alexey Popov and Stanislav Lyamin.

3:00
pm

Art
Show

1:00
pm

At the Lincoln Theater, the Quartet will perform several premier compositions of local Napa Valley composer, Louise Canepa, (a member of the NLAPW, Napa Valley Branch) and works of composer Marge Wheeler, of Shasta, CA. Noted international vocalist, Sally Munro, of San Francisco will sing select pieces of Ms. Canepa and Ms. Wheeler along with Guests Artists; The Angelo Piano Duo (Catherine & Anthony Angelo). Art show in Lincoln Theater Lobby featuring St. Petersburg, Russia artist, Valery Obedkov and Pen Women, Napa Branch showing their paintings. Doors in lobby open at 1 pm for viewing- -concert starts at 3pm.



Sun,
Oct 14

Benise - Nights of Fire

"Spark of genius Spanish guitarist, 40-member cast fire the imagination"

– Los Angeles Daily News.

5:00
pm

"Benise pours out intoxicating Spanish flamenco-inspired riffs with the intensity of a rock player." – San Francisco Chronicle.

Benise, armed with his guitar, his amazing band, and elaborately costumed dancers, captures in Nights of Fire!, world music at its best. *Benise, Nights of Fire!* has recently electrified the country with his nationally acclaimed PBS special. Join us for an unprecedented journey into the world of music and dance! Witness a tapestry of world rhythms from Flamenco to Salsa to Samba, as the rules of music and dance are shattered.

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NAPA VALLEY MUSEUM

Sat, Sep 29 2 to 4 pm **For adults and children nine and up Books as Paper Sculpture Workshop** with Kit Croucher, California Artist. Participate in a hands-on workshop to create a paper sculptures using the accordion fold book style structure with pop-outs as a garnish. We will work and play with paper – folding, cutting, pasting, marking and coloring to create three dimensional works of art. You will learn about book arts and have unique paper structures to take home and amaze your friends and family. Call 707.944.0500 for reservations and payment.

Sat, Oct 6 6 to 8 pm **An Evening with the Descendants of Yountville Founder George C. Yount** with Historian Lee Hart and the great-great-granddaughters of George C. Yount. Celebrate the 30th Annual Yountville Days at the Museum! Join Historian Lee Hart in a Chautauqua presentation of the life and times of George C. Yount and meet several of the great-great-granddaughters of Yountville's founder at a wine reception following the Chautauqua. Born in North Carolina in 1794, Yount came to California in 1831 and died at his Caymus Rancho on October 3, 1865. Free with admission. Call 707.944.0500 for reservations.

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AND DISTRIBUTION DATES

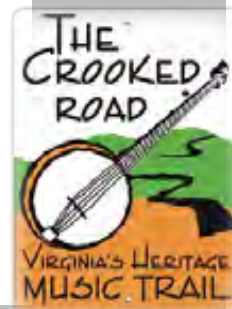
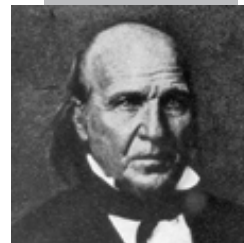
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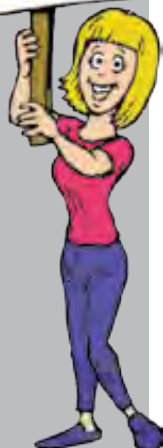
Lincoln Theater continued

Sun, Oct 21 5:00pm **Kris Kristofferson In Concert** Kris Kristofferson is an influential American country music songwriter, singer and actor. He is best known for hits such as "Me and Bobby McGee", "Sunday Mornin' Comin' Down", and "Help Me Make It Through the Night". Kristofferson is the sole writer of most of his songs, but he has collaborated with various other figures of the Nashville scene. In 2004 he was inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame. In 2006, he received the Johnny Mercer Award from the Songwriters Hall of Fame and released his first album full of new material in 11 years; "This Old Road". On April 21 2007, Kristofferson won CMT's Johnny Cash Visionary Award.

Sun, Oct 28 5:00 PM **Music from the Crooked Road** Winding for over 200 miles across Virginia, the Crooked Road passes through some of the most musical places on earth. This show celebrates the culture of bluegrass created in tiny Appalachian towns which for generations have influenced the development of American music.



sign up
early



Residential Care Special Events

*Signup available 2 weeks before event. Sign up early! Activities can fill quickly.
All activities are subject to change due to bus and driver availability.*

September 2007

Date	Time	Event	Bus	Site	Signup
29 Sat	8:00 am	Wheelchair Regatta	MBS		Yes
	8:00 pm	Paula Poundstone – Live		LT	Yes

October 2007

4 Thu	10:00 am	Shopping Target/Raleys	MBS		Yes
5 Fri	8:15 am	SF Ferry – <i>Fleet Week</i>	MBS		Yes
	8:00 pm	Ballet Gran Folklorico DeMexico		LT	Yes
6 Sat	8:00 am	Peddlers Fair		GH	
	9:30 am	Simulcast Oaktree Horse Race	MDR		Yes
	11:00 am	Suscol Council Pow-Wow		MGP	
	8:00 pm	Chloe Hanslip, Violinist		LT	Yes
7 Sun	11:00 am	Suscol Council Pow-Wow		MPG	
	12:00 pm	Yountville Days Parade & Festival			
	3:00 pm	Chloe Hanslip, Violinist		LT	Yes
10 Wed	9:00 am	Allied Council		GH	
11 Thu	10:00 am	Remembrance		Chp	
13 Sat	1:00 pm	Wine Tasting & Art Exhibit		LT	???
	2:00 pm	Poetry & Writers		HRA	
	3:00 pm	Russian String Quartet		LT	Yes
14 Sun	1:30 pm	Russian String Quartet		HRA	
	5:00 pm	Benise – Night of Fire		LT	Yes
16 Tue	10:00 am	Administrator/Members Meeting		GH	
20 Sat	10:00 am	Fairfield Mall Shopping	MBS		Yes
21 Sun	7:30 am	Napa Sr. Center Breakfast	MBS		Yes
	5:00 pm	Kris Kristofferson		LT	Yes
26 Fri	4:30 pm	Petaluma Elks	MBS		Yes
27 Sat	7:30 am	Breeders Cup Simulcast	MDR		Yes
28 Sun	5:00 pm	Music from the Crooked Road		LT	Yes
30 Tue	5:30 pm	Warriors, Oakland Arena	MDR		Yes
31 Wed	1:30 pm	Halloween Party		HRA	

Key – 1C/1D: Hospital 1C/1D patio; Bor: Borman Field; Chp: Chapel; GH: Grant Hall; GR: Games Room; HL: Hospital Lobby; HRA: Hospital Recreation Area; Lib: Lincoln Library, LL: Lee Lounge; LT: Lincoln Theater; MBS: Main Bus Stop; MDR: Main Dining Room; MPG: Main Picnic Grounds; SF: San Francisco; Tav: Tavern; VHC: Veterans Home Cemetery; VGC: Vintners Golf Course; VHL: Veterans Home Lanes; XI: Annex I; XII: Annex II; Ynt: Yountville; YVP: Yountville Veterans Park.

MOVIE NIGHT IN GRANT HALL



Fri, Sep 28 – “Astronaut Farmer”

A new (2006) light family film stars Billy Bob Thornton as a frustrated former astronaut who builds a rocket to send him into space. The interaction with family and community during the venture make as above average entertainment.

Wed, Oct 3 – “It Happened One Night”

This 1930 classic romantic comedy stars Clark Gable and Claudette Colbert. Gable is a reporter who meets runaway heiress Colbert on a rural bus trip gone wrong. This delightful film was the first to win all five major Oscars – Best Picture, Best Actor, Best Actress, Best Director (Frank Capra) and Best Screenplay. ☆☆☆☆



Fri, Oct 5 – “We Are Marshall”

A new (2006) movie stars Matthew McConaughey, Jan McShane, Matthew Fox and David Strathairn. Based in a true story of a 1970 airplane crash taking the lives of the Marshall University, West Virginia football team, their coaches and key boosters as they were returning from a game. The story tells of the community’s devastation and reluctance to rebuilding a football team. McConaughey plays a replacement head coach hired to restore the school’s team and morale of the community. A well acted, worthwhile film. ☆☆☆

Wed, Oct 10 – “Witness For The Prosecution”

A 1957 outstanding courtroom suspense film stars Marlene Dietrich, Tyrone Power, Charles Laughton and Elsa Lanchester. Power is accused of murder with Laughton his defense attorney and Dietrich as his wife. Directed by Billy Wilder. A classic four-star film. ☆☆☆☆



Fri, Oct 12 – “The Queen”

This excellent 2006 film is a repeat (May 11) showing by popular request. Helen Mirren won Best Actress Oscar for her portrayal as the Queen of England during the period of the 1997 death of Princess Diana. This is a well crafted bio-pic about the interaction within the royal family and world-wide. Nominated for six Academy Awards including Best Picture. ☆☆☆☆



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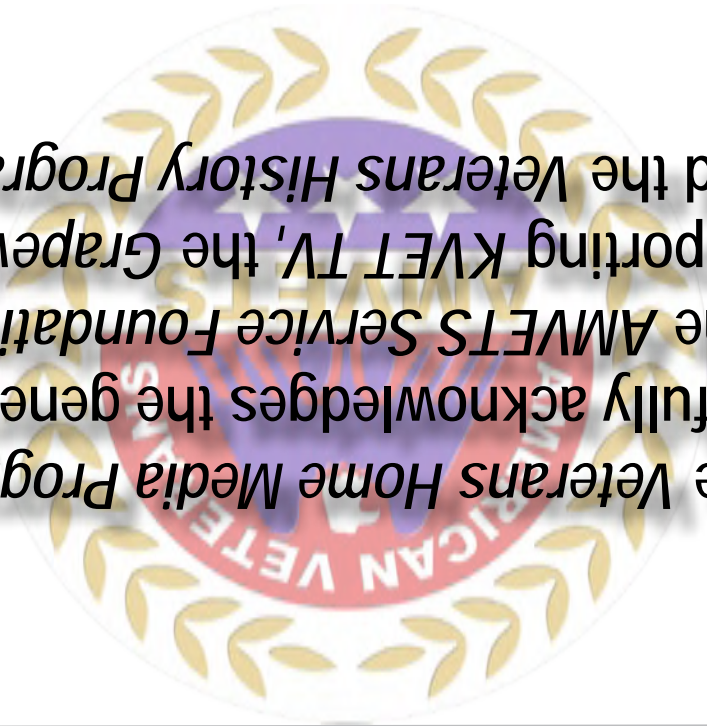
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